

Uhuru Muigai Kenyatta

Uhuru Muigai Kenyatta is a Kenyan politician, currently serving as Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance.



He is the Chairman of the Kenya African National Union (KANU), the former ruling party, which is currently part of the Party of National Unity (PNU).

Prior to this appointment in April 2008, he served as the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Trade and as a Cabinet Minister in the Ministry of Local Government. He is a Governor of the East African Development Bank (EADB) and a Member of the Committee of Ten comprising five African Finance Ministers and five Central Bank Governors, which is a working group established under the aegis of African Development Bank. He also serves as Member of the National Economic and Social Council (NESC).

He has also served as Chair of the COMESA Council of Ministers, and Chair of the African Ministers Consultative Group under AGOA. In addition he has also served as Chairman of Disaster Emergency Response Committee and Council Member of Jomo Kenya University of Agriculture & Technology.

Nominated to Parliament in 2001, he became Minister for Local Government under President Daniel arap Moi and, despite his political inexperience, was favored by President Moi as his successor. Kenyatta ran as KANU's candidate in the December 2002 presidential election, but lost to opposition candidate Mwai Kibaki by a large margin. He subsequently became Leader of the Opposition in Parliament. He backed Kibaki for re-election in the December 2007 presidential election and was named Minister of Local Government by Kibaki in January 2008, before becoming Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Trade in April 2008 as part of a coalition government. He is the son of Jomo Kenyatta, Kenya's first president (1964–1978).

His name, Uhuru, is Swahili for "freedom."

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